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Student Connection



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Kayden Cody Garfield Heights



Kayden Cody, a student at Garfield Heights High School, is enrolled in CVCC's Hospitality & Food Preparation program under the instruction of April Moné. When the opportunity to attend CVCC came up, Kayden was eager to try something new and step into a more hands-on learning environment. One of Kayden's favorite parts of the program has been meeting new people and exploring potential career paths through job-site visits. Throughout the year, he's gained experience in a variety of areas—from culinary and baking skills to guest relations and the service industry. He's especially enjoyed learning about cleaning and laundry care, and even appreciates the built-in break his day allows while traveling between Garfield Heights and CVCC.

"Kayden puts forth incredible effort and attitude in the kitchen every day. He consistently follows directions, listens carefully, and truly understands each task he is given. When he's unsure, he asks thoughtful questions to ensure he's doing things correctly. One of his greatest strengths is his willingness to help others—he often volunteers for extra tasks and looks for ways to support both classmates and staff. His strong work ethic, curiosity, and kindness truly stand out. You can always count on him to give his best effort and step up when help is needed," shared Ms. Moné.

After high school, Kayden is still exploring his career interests. He has a passion for fashion and is also intrigued by construction and other career paths, something he's continuing to discover during his time at CVCC. Outside of school, Kayden enjoys spending time outdoors (especially mowing the lawn), playing video games on his PS5, shopping (particularly at Foot Locker) and grabbing a bite at Taco Bell. He also plans to work at Giant Eagle this summer. Kayden is excited to keep building his skills and learning more about his interests, and he encourages others to take advantage of the opportunities available at CVCC. Keep up the great work, Kayden! We can't wait to see where your journey takes you.

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